UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

In Re: Case No.: 18-14226 (RG)

ELAINA LIVA, Chapter: 7

Debtor. Judge: Rosemary Gambardella

NOTICE OF PROPOSED COMPROMISE or SETTLEMENT OF CONTROVERSY

<u>Steven P. Kartzman, Chapter 7 Trustee</u>, in this case proposes a compromise, or to settle a claim and/or action as described below. If you object to the settlement or compromise, you must file a written objection with the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court, and serve it on the person named below not later 7 days before the hearing date.

Address of the Clerk: Jeanne A. Naughton, Clerk

Martin Luther King Jr. Federal Building 50 Walnut Street, P.O. Box 1352 Newark, New Jersey 07102

If an objection is filed, a hearing will be held before the Honorable Rosemary Gambardella on July 13, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the United States Bankruptcy Court, Courtroom No. 3E, Martin Luther King Jr. Federal Building, 50 Walnut Street, Newark, New Jersey (hearing to be scheduled for at least 28 days from the date of the filing of the notice). If no objection is filed the clerk will enter a *Certification of No Objection* and the settlement may be completed as proposed.

Nature of action: On September 22, 2006, the Divorce Court entered a Judgment liquidating the amounts owed by the Debtor's ex-husband to Ms. Liva through September 30, 2006 under the Divorce Judgment for \$553,737.00. In 2019 the Debtor's ex-husband passed away. In early 2020, the Trustee entered a Consent Order with the Debtor resolving her claim to an exemption pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 522(d)(10)(D) as to the support owed which allocated 80% of any recovery to the Debtor, after deduction of the costs of the recovery. In 2020 the Trustee timely filed two statements of claim against the Probate Estate on Debtor's behalf stemming from the Divorce ("Claim No. 35") and the 2006 Judgment ("Claim No. 32"). The Personal Representative of the Probate Estate formally objected to each statement of claim filed by the Trustee and the decedent's widow informally joined in these objections, and argued that she was the rightful beneficiary of the Inheritance Proceeds. The Trustee filed an Independent Action Against Personal Representative of the Estate of Edward Liva, Jr. Upon Claims of Elaina Liva (the "Independent Action") in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Palm Beach County, Florida. The Trustee asserted an equitable lien and/or constructive trust over the proceeds of the Decedent's inheritance from his father's estate, including the sum of \$422,008.01 (the "Inheritance Proceeds"). The Personal Representative and the Beneficiary disputed the claims asserted by the Trustee against the Probate Estate. As of the mediation the Probate estate had accrued administrative expenses on account of legal fees, accounting fees, funeral expenses and the mediator's fee, estimated at a total of \$45,000.00. The parties mediated the Trustee's claims for about seven hours and entered into a settlement agreement.

<u>Pertinent terms of settlement</u>: The Trustee's equitable lien over the Inheritance Proceeds will be recognized. The Personal Representative is to turn over the Inheritance Proceeds to the Trustee, less a carveout of \$50,000.00 from the Inheritance Proceeds in favor of the Probate Estate for administrative costs and fees which shall be deducted from the amounts turned over to the Trustee, and a carveout of the sum of \$55,000.00 from the Inheritance Proceeds in favor of the Beneficiary (the "Beneficiary Carveout") in legal fees and to settle her claims as the sole beneficiary of the estate. Claim No. 32 will be allowed in an amount equal to \$782,940.99 less the Inheritance Proceeds. Claim No. 35 will be allowed in an

amount equal to \$1,774,799.52. Within five (5) business days after the receipt of the Inheritance Proceeds by the Trustee in cleared funds, the Trustee shall dismiss the Independent Action with prejudice. All parties will release each other from any further liability. Given the uncertainty and complexity associated with the litigation, the Trustee believes that the settlement is in the best interests of the estate as it maximizes value and will avoid unnecessary litigation, the cost of which would necessarily diminish any additional recovery.

Objections must be served on, and requests for additional information directed to:

Name: Steven A. Jayson, Esq., Mellinger Kartzman LLC

Address: 101 Gibraltar Drive, Suite 2F, Morris Plains, New Jersey 07950

Telephone No.: (973) 267-0220

United States Bankruptcy Court District of New Jersey

In re: Case No. 19-25392-RG Chapter 7 Elaina Liva

Debtor

CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE

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aty	Mellinger, Sanders & Kartzman, LLC, 101 Gibraltar Drive, Morris Plains, NJ 07950-1287	
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518576000	American Express National Bank, c/o Becket and Lee LLP, PO Box 3001, Malvern PA 19355-0701	
518398666	Applied Bank, c/o Credit Control LLC, PO Box 546, Hazelwood, MO 63042-0546	
518398667	Cap Call, c/o Tara N. Pomparelli, Esq., 122 East 42nd Street, Suite 2112, New York, NY 10168-2100	
518398668	Cardinal Health 110 LLC, 7000 Cardinal Place, Dublin, OH 43017-1091	
518398669	Cardinal Health 110 LLC, c/o Keggler Brown Hill & Ritter, 65 E. State Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4213	
518398670	Cardinal Health 110 LLC, c/o Mitchell J. Malzberg, LLC, 6 E. Main Street, Ste. 7, Clinton, NJ 08809-2627	
518398673	Chase Auto Finance/JP Morgan, National Bankruptcy Dept., 201 N. Central Ave., MS AZ1-1191, Phoenix, AZ 85004-8001	
518398677	Chrysler Capital, Bankruptcy Dept., PO Box 961278, Fort Worth, TX 76161-0278	
518422998	Extreme Marine, 15600 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, FL 33154-1000	
518517607	JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., s/b/m/t Chase Bank USA, N.A., c/o National Bankruptcy Services, LLC, P.O. Box 9013, Addison, Texas 75001-9013	
518423000	Jared D'Argenio, 13931 Packard Terr., Delray Beach, FL 33484-1543	
518398679	KML Law Group, P.C., ATTN: Kristina G. Murtha, Esq., 216 Haddon Ave., Ste. 406, Westmont, NJ 08108-2812	
518398680	Liva, Jonathan, 2 14th Street, Apt. 1001, Hoboken, NJ 07030-6779	
518398682	MCA Fixed Payment/Merchants Capital, c/o Viraj P. Deshmukh, Thompson, O'Brien, IKamp & Nasuti PC, 40 Technology Pkwy. Sout Ste. 300, Norcross, GA 30092-2924	h,
518398681	MCA Fixed Payments/Merchants Capital, 6901 Jericho Turnpike, Ste. 218, Syosset, NY 11791-4464	
518398683	Milstead & Associates, LLC, 1 E. Stow Road, Marlton, NJ 08053-3118	
518398686	PNC Bank, ATTN: Bankruptcy, 249 5th Avenue, Ste. 30, Pittsburgh, PA 15222-2707	
518398688	PNC Bank Credit Card, PO Box 5570, Mailstop BR-YB58-01-5, Cleveland, OH 44101-0570	
518398685	Perla, Daniel, c/o Agentis PLLC, ATTN: Jake M. Greenberg, 55 Alhambra Plaza, Ste. 800, Coral Gables, FL 33134-5254	
518398684	Perla, Daniel, c/o Davidoff Law Firm PLLC, 228 East 45th Street, Ste. 1700, New York, NY 10017-3343	
518423001	R&S Pharmaceutical, 8407 Austin Tracy Road, Fountain Run, KY 42133-9606	
518398690	Sterling National Bank/Astoria Bank, 400 Rella Blvd., Montebello, NY 10901-4241	
518398691	U.S. Deptartment of Justice, Florida-Southern, 99 NE 4th Street, Ste. 300, Miami, FL 33132-2131	
518398693	United States Attorney General, United States Dept. of Justice, Ben Franklin Station, PO Box 683, Washington, DC 20044-0683	

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smg	Eman/Text. usanj.njbanki @usubj.gov	Jun 04 2021 21:15:00	U.S. Attorney, 970 Broad St., Room 502, Rodino Federal Bldg., Newark, NJ 07102-2534
smg	+ Email/Text: ustpregion03.ne.ecf@usdoj.gov	Jun 04 2021 21:15:00	United States Trustee, Office of the United States Trustee, 1085 Raymond Blvd., One Newark

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518398671	+ Email/Text: bk.notifications@jpmchase.com	Jun 04 2021 21:15:00	Chase Auto Finance, c/o National Recovery Group, PO Box 29505, Phoenix, AZ 85038-9505
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518398678	Email/Text: sbse.cio.bnc.mail@irs.gov	Jun 04 2021 21:14:00	Internal Revenue Service, PO Box 7346, Philadelphia, PA 19101-7346
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518398675	Email/PDF: ais.chase.ebn@americaninfosource.com	Jun 04 2021 21:10:46	Chase Card Services, Correspondence Dept., PO
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518398687	Email/Text: Bankruptcy.Notices@pnc.com	Jun 04 2021 21:14:00	15299, Wilmington, DE 19850PNC Bank, PO Box 3180, Pittsburgh, PA 15230
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518600591	Email/Text: bnc-quantum@quantum3group.com	Jun 04 2021 21:15:00	Quantum3 Group LLC as agent for, Sadino Funding LLC, PO Box 788, Kirkland, WA 98083-0788
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NOTICE CERTIFICATION

I, Joseph Speetjens, declare under the penalty of perjury that I have sent the attached document to the above listed entities in the manner shown, and prepared the Certificate of Notice and that it is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

Meeting of Creditor Notices only (Official Form 309): Pursuant to Fed .R. Bank. P.2002(a)(1), a notice containing the complete Social Security Number (SSN) of the debtor(s) was furnished to all parties listed. This official court copy contains the redacted SSN as required by the bankruptcy rules and the Judiciary's privacy policies.

Date: Jun 06, 2021 Signature: /s/Joseph Speetjens

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